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1. NSC MEETING ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY RELATIONS WITH THE PRC (SECRET)

THE CHINA S AND T MEETING CHAIRED BY ANNE KEATLEY WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW (2/24). MIKE OKSENBERG AND I MET WITH ANNE YESTERDAY TO DISCUSS THE CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. I WILL ATTEND, ALONG WITH SCOTT HALLFORD AND DAVID KATCHER OF T.

2. CONGRESSMAN FINDLEY'S INTEREST IN PRO-PRC LEGISLATION (CONFIDENTIAL) SECRET

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CONGRESSMAN FINDLEY CALLED US THIS WEEK TO ASK FOR INFORMATION ON CLAIMS/ASSETS AND ON EXTENDING MFN TO THE PRC. HE IS CONVINCED THAT THE TAIWAN PROBLEM WILL BLOCK PROGRESS ON NORMALIZATION, AND IS LOOKING FOR OTHER HELPFUL STEPS WE CAN TAKE TOWARD CHINA. IN THIS CONNECTION, HE ASKED IF ANY OTHER CONGRESSMEN HAD INTRODUCED LEGISLATION

ON CLAIMS/ASSETS OR EXTENDING MFN TO THE PRC (ANSWER: NO, AS FAR AS WE ARE AWARE.).

WE HAVE NOTHING WRITTEN ON CLAIMS/ASSETS OR MFN THAT WE CAN PASS TO FINDLEY, SO I AM ARRANGING TO BRIEF HIM ORALLY ON THE TWO SUBJECTS.

3. GOVERNORS' DELEGATION (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

BOTH IOWA GOVERNOR RAY AND PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR SHAPP HAVE DROPPED OUT OF THE MARCH 5-19 GOVERNORS' DELEGATION TO THE PRC. DELEGATION LEADER GOVERNOR ASKEW OF FLORIDA (NOW IN JAPAN) AS OF YESTERDAY WAS CONSIDERING POST-PONEMENT OF THE VISIT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL GOVERNORS ON THE DELEGATION (THEY ARE NOW DOWN TO FIVE) BUT WE LEARNED TODAY THAT HE HAS TENTATIVELY DECIDED TO GO AHEAD AS PLANNED. WE SHOULD HAVE FINAL WORD BY TOMORROW

4. FACILITATED CODEL TO THE PRC (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

SENATORS BENTSEN, CHILES AND DANFORTH AND CONGRESSMEN FOLEY, REUSS, AND LONG (OF LOUISIANA) HAVE TENTATIVELY AGREED TO GO ON THE SCHEDULED MARCH 23-APRIL 5 CODEL TO THE PRC. WIVES WILL BE INCLUDED AND FRANK MOORE, HEAD OF THE WHITE HOUSE CONGRESSIONAL LIAISON OFFICE, ALSO PLANS SECRET

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TO ACCOMPANY. SENATOR INOUYE, HOWEVER, IS NOT GOING.

5. AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION VISIT TO PRC (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

THE ABA PRESIDENT WROTE TO HAN HSU ENDORSING THE REQUEST OF THE ABA'S INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE TO SEND A GROUP TO THE PRC. AS A RESULT, PRCLO HAS INFORMED THE COMMITTEE THAT IT CAN TOUR CHINA IN LATE FALL (PAYING THEIR OWN WAY) AND THE CPIFA HAS INVITED THE ABA PRESIDENT TO BRING A 12-MAN DELEGATION TO CHINA AS THEIR GUESTS IN JULY OR AUGUST. THE ABA IS NOW SELECTING THE DELEGATION MEMBERS AND CONSIDERING WHAT THEY WISH TO OBSERVE DURING THE VISIT. HIGH ON THEIR LIST WILL BE LEGAL PROCEEDINGS, MEETINGS WITH JUDGES, AND VISITS TO PRISONS.

6. PRCM AS TRAVEL BUREAU (UNCLASSIFIED)

AS YOU MIGHT INFER BY THIS WEEK'S AND PREVIOUS REPORTS, WE ARE SPENDING AN ENORMOUS NUMBER OF MAN HOURS ON TRAVEL BUSINESS.

7. CHAO YUN-HUI (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

CHAO YUN-HUI (THE DUAL NATIONAL WHO MANAGED TO EXIT THE PRC AND ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON LAST WEEK) AND HER HUSBAND ARE RESIDING TEMPORARILY WITH MARY VON BRIESEN. THE CHAOS ARE RECEIVING HEW-AUTHORIZED ASSISTANCE THROUGH VIRGINIA SOCIAL AGENCIES SINCE THEY TRAVELLED TO THE US UNDER THE REPATRIATION PROGRAM. VIRGINIA WELFARE AUTHORITIES WILL ASSIST THEM IN LEARNING ENGLISH, FINDING HOUSING, JOBS, ETC. (CHAO HAS ALREADY WRITTEN A LETTER TO THE SECRETARY THANKING HIM FOR USG ASSISTANCE IN HER CASE.) VANCE

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